Banking facilities

The Chase Bank maintains three branches located in th United Nations vicinity:

Chase Bank
United Nations Secretariat building, fourth floor
Hours: Monday to Friday: 9 a.m. to 3.30 p.m.
Telephone: (212) 223-4322
Internal telephone: ext. 37108 or 37109
ATM (cash machine) on the first floor of the Secretariat building available 24 hours*

Chase Bank
825 United Nations Plaza — street level
First Avenue and 46th Street
Hours: Monday to Friday: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Telephone: (212) 557-0431
Vestibule with four ATMs** available 24 hours

Chase Bank
1 Dag Hammarskjöld — street level
Second Avenue and 47th Street
Hours: Monday to Friday: 9 a.m. to 3.30 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Telephone: (212) 319-2950
Vestibule with two ATMs available 24 hours
Exterior ATM available 24 hours

* Deposit option not available at this ATM.

** Service is available in Russian at these ATMs.

ATM service is offered in English, French and Spanish and requires the use of an ATM card. The following services may be obtained through Chase ATMs: transfers, deposit payments, cash withdrawals, balance inquiries and statement printing of the last five transactions. In addition, the ATM card will access 150,000 network locations, namely, NYCE®, MAC®, PLUS®, CIRRUS®, PULSE®, MASTERCARD®/VISA® cash machines, through the United States, Canada and worldwide for cash withdrawals and balance inquiries.

Delegates may also utilize the five cash machines (ATMs) of the United Nations Federal Credit Union (UNFCU). Four machines are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week at the following locations: Secretariat building, first floor; UNDC 1 building, third floor; and UNDC 2 building, third floor (two machines). A fifth ATM, located in the Credit Union's Secretariat branch office on the fourth floor of the Secretariat, is available from 8.30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday to Friday. All five machines can be used for balance inquiries and cash withdrawals and accept the following cards: UNFCU CashCard, NYCE®, CIRRUS®, VISA®, Mastercard®, PLUS®, American Express "Express Cash"®, Discover®, Pulse® and HONOR®

Newsstand

There is a newspaper and confectionery stand in the lobby of the Secretariat building, which is open from 8 a.m. to 5.30 p.m., Monday to Friday. It is closed on weekends and holidays.

Bookshop

Over-the-counter services are available at the United Nations bookshop located in the concourse area of the public lobby at the north end of the General Assembly building. In addition to publications by the United Nations and its specialized agencies, other publishers are represented on themes addressed by the United Nations. Souvenir postcards, posters and stationery items are also available for sale. Delegates are entitled to 25 per cent discount on United Nations publications and 10 per cent discount on all other items over $3 on purchases made at the bookshop. There is an entrance for delegates only at GA-032A.

Sale of publications

The United Nations publishes over 400 new publications each year, providing an invaluable source of information on the world's most important issues. Its wide range of publications keeps readers throughout the world up to date with latest developments in the areas of international politics, law, social issues, the environment and economics, as well as provides numerous important reference works and all the official records of the Organization. Microfiche, CD-ROM and electronic databases are available in addition to publications. The United Nations also acts as a distributor for publications by ICJ, UNICEF, UNITAR, UNIDIR, UNIDO, UNDP, UNFPA, UNCRD, INSTRAW, UNEP and UNICRI. Orders for information on United Nations publications can be obtained by contacting: United Nations Publications, Two United Nations Plaza, room DC2-0853, New York, N.Y.,

10017 (tel. (212) 963-8302; fax (212) 963-3489); e-mail: publications@un.org.

Meditation room

The meditation room is located in the north-west end of the entrance level of the General Assembly building. The designated hours are from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m., and from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The security supervisor in the area will be available to assist with access to the room.

Delegates' quiet room

There is a quiet room for delegates in the delegates' south lounge on the second floor, Conference building.

United Nations Gift Centre

The Gift Centre is located on the concourse level of the General Assembly building. *Objets d'art*, handicrafts, costume jewellery, souvenirs, United Nations medals and flags of Member States are on sale. Delegates are entitled to a 20 per cent discount on all purchases upon presentation of valid United Nations identification. The Gift Centre is open seven days a week from 9 a.m. to 5.30 p.m from March to December. It is closed on weekends during January and February.

Request for use of United Nations premises

In the interest of ensuring the security and safety of all concerned, as well as in the light of the increasing number of requests for use of facilities, representatives of permanent missions are asked to use the utmost discretion when sponsoring events to ensure that the activities are of a non-commercial nature and consistent with the principles and aims of the United Nations. When sponsoring events on behalf of accredited non-governmental organizations with the United Nations, representatives of missions are reminded that, notwithstanding the worthiness of the purpose of the event, no substantive business such as the passage of resolutions, holding of elections, presentation of awards, solicitation of funds nor the conduct of ceremonies of any kind may be conducted. Requests for the use of the premises for events should be addressed to the Assistant Secretary-General for central Support Services. Once approval has been obtained, a ranking member of the mission must attend and/or preside over the meeting or event in its entirety. Any and all financial obligations arising from the meeting or event shall be the sole responsibility of the sponsoring mission.

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